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SUBJECT: VISIT BY MICHAEL USNICK OF OMB

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1. USNICK VISIT IS WELL-TIMED WITH RESPECT TO ACTIVITIES OF GENEVA GROUP IN ROME, AND HE CAN IN SOME RESPECTS BE SPOKESMAN OF OUR GENEVA GROUP IN GENEVA MEETING. WE WILL BE MEETING WITH FAO DIRECTOR-GENERAL SAOUMA ON MARCH 8 AND PLAN TO HOLD A GENEVA GROUP MEETING SHORTLY THEREAFTER, WITH INTERVAL FOR COMMUNICATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTS, ON MARCH 10, FOLLOWED BY ANOTHER GENEVA GROUP MEETING ABOUT ONE WEEK LATER.

2. GENEVA GROUP'S SUBGROUP ON FINANCE, CHAIRED BY VIVIAN WIGHTMAN (CANADA) WITH COMPUTATIONS BY ALEX LANDYMORE (UK) AND CHARLES HIGGINSON (US), HAVE DEVELOPED FIGURES ON INFLATION AND EXCHANGE RATE FACTORS THAT ARE MORE EXTENSIVE THAN USNICK IS LIKELY TO OBTAIN FROM FAO. THESE WILL PROBABLY HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO WASHINGTON IN SOME DETAIL BEFORE USNICK'S DEPARTURE, BUT WE WOULD LIKE TO GO OVER THEM WITH HIM IN FURTHER DETAIL.

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3. APPOINTMENTS SUGGESTED IN PARA 3 REFTEL CAN BE ARRANGED, BUT WE WISH TO DEFER ACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS UNTIL AFTER MARCH 8 MEETING WITH DIRECTOR-GENERAL SAOUMA, TO MAKE THEM MOST RELEVANT.

4. EMBASSY CAR WILL BE WAITING FOR USNICK AT

HERTZ COUNTER, JUST OUTSIDE CUSTOMS AREA.BEAUDRY

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